

## Participation in TSA Pre ✓ ™



#### **DHS Trusted Travelers**

TSA Pre✓™ application program members, participants in a U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) Trusted Traveler program\* (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI) and other individuals who have been provided a Known Traveler Number (KTN) are eligible to participate in TSA Pre✓™.

If you already have a Known Traveler Number, you do not need to apply for a <u>DHS Trusted Traveler program</u> [1].

Not sure what which DHS Trusted Traveler program is right for you? <u>View a comparison chart of the four DHS Trusted Traveler programs</u> [2].

#### **TSA Pre** ✓ <sup>™</sup> **Application Program** [3]

- 1. Complete an online application [4].
- 2. Schedule an appointment at a TSA Pre✓ ™ application center. (*More than 280 centers nationwide.*)
- 3. Visit the TSA Pre✓ <sup>™</sup> application center, pay the \$85 fee, provide valid government identification and fingerprints.
- 4. A Known Traveler Number will be sent to you via U.S. mail or can be obtained online [5].

Once successfully enrolled, <u>provide your Known Traveler Number</u> [6] in the 'Known Traveler Number' field when making airline reservations. Additionally, members should update their frequent flyer profiles AND contact their airline regarding any previous reservations. Remember to enter full name, date of birth and Known Traveler Number exactly as you provided during the TSA Pre✓ <sup>™</sup> application process. The TSA Blog has <u>helpful tips</u> [6] for updating this information.

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#### **CBP Trusted Traveler Programs** [7]\* (Global Entry, NEXUS, SENTRI)

- 1. Register for a CBP Global Online Enrollment System (GOES) [8] account.
- 2. Complete the online application [9] for one of the CBP eligible Trusted Traveler programs.
- 3. Schedule an interview (via online application) at a CBP Enrollment Center.
- 4. Visit the CBP Enrollment Center, to complete your enrollment.

Once successfully enrolled, provide your CBP PASS ID number, in the 'Known Traveler Number' field when making airline reservations. Additionally, members should update their frequent flyer profiles AND contact their airline regarding any previous reservations. Remember to enter full name, date of birth and PASS ID exactly as it appears on the membership card or in the GOES account [8]. The TSA Blog has helpful tips [10] for CBP Trusted Traveler participants.

\* Eligible members include: all members of Global Entry [11]; U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents and Canadian citizens [12] who are members of NEXUS [13]; and U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents who are members of SENTRI [14]. **NOTE**: A CBP trusted traveler card is not accepted [15] by TSA for expedited screening access.

### **Airline Frequent Flyers**

The majority of TSA  $\text{Pre} \checkmark^{\text{TM}}$  participating airlines have invited certain frequent flyers to voluntarily participate in TSA  $\text{Pre} \checkmark^{\text{TM}}$ . Once the passenger "opts-in," the airline identifies the individual as a TSA  $\text{Pre} \checkmark^{\text{TM}}$  participant when submitting passenger reservation information to TSA's Secure Flight system. Passengers who participate via a frequent flyer program are only eligible on the airline in which they opted-in to participate. To participate on all TSA  $\text{Pre} \checkmark^{\text{TM}}$  participating airlines, travelers must have a Known Traveler Number.

If a participating airlines' frequent flyer did not receive an invitation from the airline, interested passengers can still participate by joining a <u>DHS Trusted Traveler program</u> [1].

# **Members of the Military**

U.S. Armed Forces service members, including those serving in the U.S. Coast Guard, Reserves and National Guard, are eligible for TSA Pre✓™ when they use their Department of Defense (DoD) identification number when making flight reservations. Read more details about the availability of TSA Pre✓™ for the members of the military [16].

### Other Ways to Experience TSA Pre✓™

You may still be able to experience TSA Pre ✓ ™ screening on a flight by flight basis.\*

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- 1. <u>TSA Risk Assessments</u> [17]uses Secure Flight Data already supplied to TSA, which allows passengers to access the TSA Pre✓™ screening lane on a random basis. <u>Check your boarding pass each time you fly for an indication of TSA Pre✓™ eligibility</u> [18].
- 2. The <u>TSA Managed Inclusion</u> [19] program uses real-time threat assessments of passengers at select airports.

\*Participation in TSA Pre✓ <sup>™</sup> via these methods will not be as frequent or consistent as it is for those travelers who have joined a <u>DHS Trusted Traveler program</u> [2].

TSA will always incorporate random and unpredictable security measures throughout the airport and no individual will be guaranteed expedited screening in order to retain a certain element of randomness.

In addition, individuals who commit certain violations of TSA regulations, such as interference with security operations, access control violations, providing false or fraudulent documents, making a bomb threat, or bringing a firearm, explosive, or other prohibited items to an airport or on board an aircraft are likely to be denied expedited screening for a period of time. The duration of disqualification for expedited screening will depend upon the seriousness of the offense.

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**Links**[1] http://www.dhs.gov/trusted-traveler-programs

- [2] http://www.dhs.gov/comparison-chart
- [3] http://www.tsa.gov/tsa-precheck/application-program
- [4] https://universalenroll.dhs.gov/workflows?workflow=precheck-pre-enroll
- [5] https://universalenroll.dhs.gov/workflows?workflow=service-status
- [6] http://blog.tsa.gov/2014/06/tsa-travel-tips-frequent-flyer-profile.html
- [7] http://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs
- [8] https://goes-app.cbp.dhs.gov/main/goes
- [9] https://goes-app.cbp.dhs.gov
- [10] http://blog.tsa.gov/2014/03/are-you-enrolled-in-trusted-traveler.html
- [11] http://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs/global-entry
- [12] https://edit.tsa.gov/redirect?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.cbsa-asfc.gc.ca%2Fprog%2Fnexus%2F
- [13] http://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs/nexus/nexus-overview
- [14] http://www.cbp.gov/travel/trusted-traveler-programs/sentri
- [15] http://www.tsa.gov/tsa-precheck/fags
- [16] http://www.tsa.gov/tsa-precheck/military-members
- [17] http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/tsa-risk-assessments
- [18] http://www.tsa.gov/tsa-precheck/notification-tsa-precheck-eligibility
- [19] http://www.tsa.gov/traveler-information/what-managed-inclusion

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